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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. In accordance with the pre-OG Notice dated July 11, 2003, entitled "Information Disclosure Statements May Be Filed Without Copies of U.S. Patents and Published Applications in Patent Applications filed after June 30, 2003," only copies of the listed foreign documents are enclosed.

JP '911, JP '912 and JP '914 are discussed at page 1 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein. US '194 corresponds to JP '911, JP '912 and JP '914.

JP '269 is discussed at page 2 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

JP '595 and JP '279 are discussed at page 3 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

JP '185 is discussed at page 4 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

JP '328 is discussed at pages 4 and 5 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein. EP '634 corresponds to JP '328.

JP '424 and WO '398 are discussed at page 5 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

JP '647 is discussed at page 51 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein. US '376 corresponds to JP '647.

US '124, US '262, US '600, US '359, US '333, US '129, US '796, JP '670 and JP '461, which generally relate to ink jet recording, are discussed at pages 52 and 53 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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